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Response Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on January 23, 2004, which set a three month period for response. In this Office Action, the Office removed the finality of the rejections set forth in Paper No. 40 mailed on June 18, 2003. On November 18, 2003, however, Applicants sent in an Appeal Brief addressing the final rejections of Claims 1, 4-7, 9-13, and 16-26. Please consider the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.